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### REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

#### 1. Objection to the specification:

The disclosure is objected to due to the following informalities: Throughout the specification, the term "detonate" is used. It is assumed that it is intended to mean  
5 "start" or "activate".

#### Response:

Paragraphs 0011, 0017, 0020, 0021, 0053, 0054, and 0056, along with the abstract of the invention, have been amended to replace the term "detonate" with the  
10 term "activate". Acceptance of the corrected specification is respectfully requested.

#### 2. Objection to claim 1:

Claim 1 is objected to due to the following informalities: The claim uses the term "detonating". It appears that this is intended to read, for example, "starting" or  
15 "activating". Appropriate correction is required.

#### Response:

Claim 1 has been amended to replace the term "detonating" with the term "activating". Acceptance of the corrected claim 1 is respectfully requested.  
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#### 3. Rejection of claims 1-9 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph:

Claims 1-9 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.  
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#### Response:

Claims 1 and 6 have been amended to correct the indefinite limitations in the

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original claims. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

4. Rejection of claims 1-9 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a):

Claims 1-9 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over  
5 Duda (US 5,708,710) in view of Kung et al. (US 6,889,321).

**Response:**

Claim 1 has been amended to overcome this rejection. Claim 1 now states that  
the access point uses the first ciphering key to encrypt the second ciphering key and  
10 then transmits the second ciphering key to the station. This limitation is fully  
supported in paragraph 0043 of the specification, and no new matter is added  
through this amendment.

Neither Duda nor Kung et al. teach using the access point to encrypt the second  
15 ciphering key with the first ciphering key before transmitting the second ciphering  
key from the access point to the station. Therefore, the amended claim 1 is  
patentable over the combination of Duda and Kung et al. Claims 2-9 are dependent  
on claim 1, and should be allowed if claim 1 is allowed. Reconsideration of claims  
1-9 is respectfully requested.

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In view of the amendment to claim 1 and the arguments presented above, the  
applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

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Sincerely yours,



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